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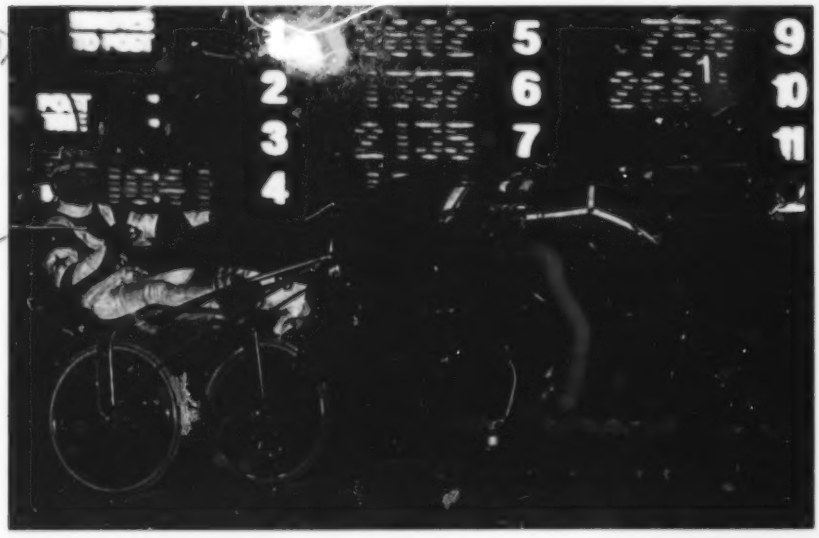

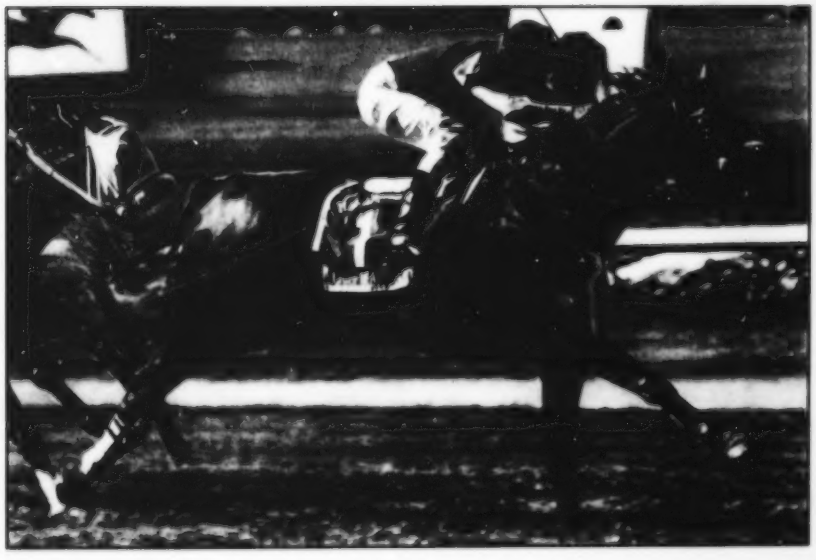

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Western Dreamer

Western Dreamer earned Horse of the Year honours in Canada and Pacer of the Year honours in the United States in 1997. The three-year-old gelded son of *Western Hanover* became the first horse in 14 years to win pacing's Triple Crown. With earnings of over $1.3 million, *Western Dreamer* captured a 14-7-3 record in 29 starts.
(Photo: New Image Media)

Chief Bearhart

Named Canada's Horse of the Year after a tremendous season which included winning the Breeders' Cup Turf race, *Chief Bearhart* won 5 out of 7 starts with 1997 earnings of $2,011,259. *Chief Bearhart* also received the 1997 Eclipse Award in the United States for Outstanding Turf Horse of the Year.
(Photo: Adam Coglianese)

Chair's Letter to the Minister

Ontario

Ontario Racing Commission

The Honourable David Tsubouchi
Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations,
Parliament Buildings,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Minister:

We are pleased to submit this forty-eighth Annual Statistical Report of the Ontario Racing Commission, covering the operations of the Commission during 1997.

The positive effects of the decision by the government in 1995 to reduce the provincial tax on wagering are becoming apparent. Racetracks are revitalizing their facilities, purses at some tracks have started to increase, prices paid for Ontario-bred horses have begun to rise, and attendance at racetracks is noticeably larger. Pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding entered into between the government, the horse racing industry and the Commission, we have monitored the industry expenditure of the funds that became available as a result of the tax reduction and we are satisfied that the objectives of the government are being met.

In 1997 the Ontario Racing Commission completed the transfer of the administration of the Horse Improvement Program to the Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association. The Commission will continue to monitor the operation of the Program to ensure that its objective of sustaining the superior quality of Ontario-bred horses and Ontario racing is maintained.

The Ontario horse racing industry eagerly awaits the initiative of the government to permit the racing industry to secure additional sources of gaming revenue. The Commission will be vigorously monitoring the impact of this initiative to ensure that its goal of enhancing live horse racing is met.

As part of its prime responsibility to advance the integrity of horse racing, the Ontario Racing Commission has taken active steps to protect the health and welfare of the horse. One initiative has been to develop a positive working relationship with those involved with the protection of animal rights. The Commission has also undertaken the production a video to be made available to the industry and the media, promoting the regulatory work of the Commission.

The Ontario Racing Commission shares the renewed optimism that exists within the horse racing industry in Ontario and recognizes the government's efforts in providing the industry with the means to compete in the exciting entertainment/gaming marketplace.

Yours faithfully,

Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.
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Highlights Of 1997

- Three new commission members were appointed in 1997: Mr. Ernest Nock, a businessman from Oakville, Mr. Thomas G. Deacon , a lawyer and Thoroughbred horse owner from Toronto and Ms. Patricia Bullock, an owner and operator of Glengate Farms, a standardbred breeding operation in Milton. All were appointed to a three year term.

- Ontario Racing Commission Steward Richard Grubb received the Avelino Gomez Memorial Award, presented annually at Woodbine Race Track for "significant contributions" to the sport of Thoroughbred Racing. The award was given to Grubb for "the class he displayed, and the respect received from jockeys, trainers, owners and track officials, in his career as a jockey and now as a steward."

- 1997 was a banner year for Canadian horses competing in the Breéders' Cup. After winning the Canadian International at Woodbine, *Chief Bearhart* went on to win the Breeder's Cup Turf race. This performance earned him Horse of the Year honours in Canada and Turf horse of the Year honours in the United States. *Dawson's Legacy* placed second in the Juvenile Colts for owner Joe Stritzl. In the Juvenile Fillies Kinghaven Farm's *Primaly* was third and *Kirby's Song*, owned by Kirby Canada, finished fifth. Kinghaven Farm's *Whiskey Wisdom* placed fourth in the Classic.

- A permanent home for the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame was opened this year at Woodbine Race Track in space provided by The Ontario Jockey Club. Open to the public, the site follows a museum format with rotating exhibits filled with memorabilia, photographs, statues, trophies, etc.

- The 1997 Breeders' Crown finals for all eight two and three-year-old divisions were held at Mohawk Raceway. A capacity crowd of over 6,300 saw a stunning evening of races, with Canadians and Ontario-bred horses figuring prominently. Over $4 million was wagered on the card of racing, making it one of the most successful harness racing nights ever.

- Ontario-owned *Western Dreamer* became the first horse in 14 years to win pacing's Triple Crown - the Cane Pace, the Little Brown Jug and the Messenger. Earning over $1.3 million the gelded son of *Western Hanover* won Pacer of the Year honours in the United States and Horse of the Year honours in Canada.

- In its 100th season historic Fort Erie Race Track was sold by The Ontario Jockey Club to Nordic Gaming Corporation. The new owners plan to develop the site as an entertainment complex to include VLT's when approval is obtained.

- Winrac Developments Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Windsor Raceway Inc. has leased Dresden Raceway from the Dresden Agricultural Society. This venture gives Windsor Raceway control of the track for the next five years.

- Transfer of the administration of the Horse Improvement Program to the Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association was completed in 1997. The transition of duties began in 1996 when the tax reduction changed the manner in which the funding for the program was collected. The ORC and OHRIA worked successfully to ensure that the mechanics of the transfer were not felt by the participants. The staff of the Commission is to be commended for their hard work and dedication to the program for over 24 years, work that helped to make the program one of the best of its type in the world.

- Built to replace the Greenwood Racetrack site, the new Greenwood teletheatre opened on December 17, 1997. The 42,000 square foot state-of-the-art structure has been designed from the top down to meet the needs of the betting public. Early numbers from the site are very encouraging.

The 6,300 fans who attended the 1997 Breeders Crown races held at Mohawk Raceway will remember the spectacular evening of races for years to come. New Image Media Photo

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Racing Commission Act

Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, Chapter R.2

The Ontario Racing Commission was established under the Racing Commission Act by the Ontario Provincial Government in 1950 to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in the province.

1. In this Act,

(a) Commission means the Ontario Racing Commission;

(b) Minister means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act is assigned by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. ("ministre") R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 1.

2. The body corporate known as the Ontario Racing Commission, established under *The Racing Commission Act*, 1950, being chapter 67, is continued under the name Ontario Racing Commission in English and the name Commission des courses de l'Ontario in French, and shall be composed of not fewer than three and not more than seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 2, *revised*.

3. The objects of the Commission are to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 3.

4. The members of the Commission shall hold office for a term of not more than three years, but any person is eligible for reappointment. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 4.

5. **(1)** The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall name one of the members to be the chair and one of the members to be the vice-chair.

(2) When the office of chair is vacant or in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair shall act in his place and stead. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 5.

6. **(1)** At any meeting of the Commission a majority of the members constitutes a quorum, and a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the Commission determines any question.

(2) The chair has a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 6.

7. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may fill any vacancy that occurs in the membership of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 7.

8. The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall fix the salaries of the chair, the vice-chair and the other members of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 8.

9. The salaries and expenses of the members of the Commission and of the officers, clerks and other employees thereof, and generally all costs, charges and expenses incurred and payable in respect of the carrying out of this Act, shall be paid out of the monies appropriated therefor by the Legislature. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 10.

10. The Commission has power,

(a) to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms;

(b) to govern, control and regulate the operation of race tracks in Ontario at which any form of horse racing is carried on;

(c) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers, and to require by a summons signed by the chair or by any other member of the Commission any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as the Commission considers requisite in any such hearing;

(d) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act, by a fine or other penalty or otherwise;

(e) to make by-laws for the conduct of its business and for the control and direction of its work;

(f) to license persons to operate race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;

(g) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespersons and such other persons in or about racetracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on, and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;

(h) to fix and collect fees or other charges for licences, prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which they may be issued;

(i) to refuse to grant any licence or to suspend or revoke any licence for conduct that the Commission considers to be contrary to the public interest;

(j) to require registration with the Commission of, and to register colours, assumed names, partnerships and contracts and such other matters and things as the Commission considers expedient;

(k) to fix and collect fees or other charges for registration under clause (j) and to prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which registration may be made;

(l) to make and promulgate rules for the conduct of horse racing in any of its forms;

(m) to employ stewards, veterinarians, analysts, secretarial assistants, judges and such other persons as the Commission considers expedient to attend at race meetings on behalf of the Commission;

(n) to require approval by the Commission of the appointment of race track officials and employees whose duties relate to the actual running of horse races and to compel the discharge for cause of any such official or employee;

(o) to fix, impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act;

(p) to require persons licensed to operate race tracks to keep books of account in a manner satisfactory to the Commission, and to inspect such books at any time;

(q) to do such things relating to horse racing in any or all of its forms, or to the operation of race tracks at which

horse racing is carried on, as are authorized or directed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 11; 1981, c. 33, s. 2.

11. The accounts of the Commission shall be audited by the Provincial Auditor or by such other auditor as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 12.

12. The Commission shall make a report annually to the Minister, containing such information as the Minister may require. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 13.

13. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations with respect to any and all matters or things that are considered necessary for the carrying out of this Act. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 14.

14. (1) Rules for the conduct of horse racing may be promulgated by the Commission under this Act and the Commission may therein delegate to stewards, judges, veterinarians, race track officials, racing association officials, licensing agents or officers of the Commission such of the following powers as the Commission considers expedient,

(a) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers;

(b) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act;

(c) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespeople and such other persons in or about race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on;

(d) to collect fees or other charges for licenses;

(e) to impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act.

(2) The Commission may adopt by reference, in whole or in part, with such changes as the Commission considers necessary, rules and procedures of racing associations or bodies and may delegate to racing associations or bodies the power to,

(a) enforce the carrying out and observance of the rules and procedures as adopted or amended;

(b) hold hearings in respect of the contravention of any of the said rules or procedures; and

(c) impose and collect fines, costs and other penalties for the contravention of any of the rules or procedures,

and where a power has been so delegated to a racing association or body, it shall have the right to exercise discretion or judgment in relation to the powers delegated.

(3) Every person, association or body to whom a power to hold hearings has been delegated under subsection (1) or (2), may by summons require any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as may be required for purposes of a hearing.

(4) Subject to subsection (6), any person who considers themselves aggrieved by a decision of a person delegated by the Commission under a rule made under subsection (1) or by a decision resulting from a hearing held pursuant to a delegation under subsection (2), is entitled to a hearing by the Commission and, in the case of a hearing, the Commission may exercise its powers and duties under section 10 as if such powers and duties had not been delegated.

(5) Where the Commission, after holding a hearing, is of the opinion that the request for the hearing was frivolously made, the Commission may order the person requesting the hearing to pay to the Commission a penalty of no more than $300 in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed.

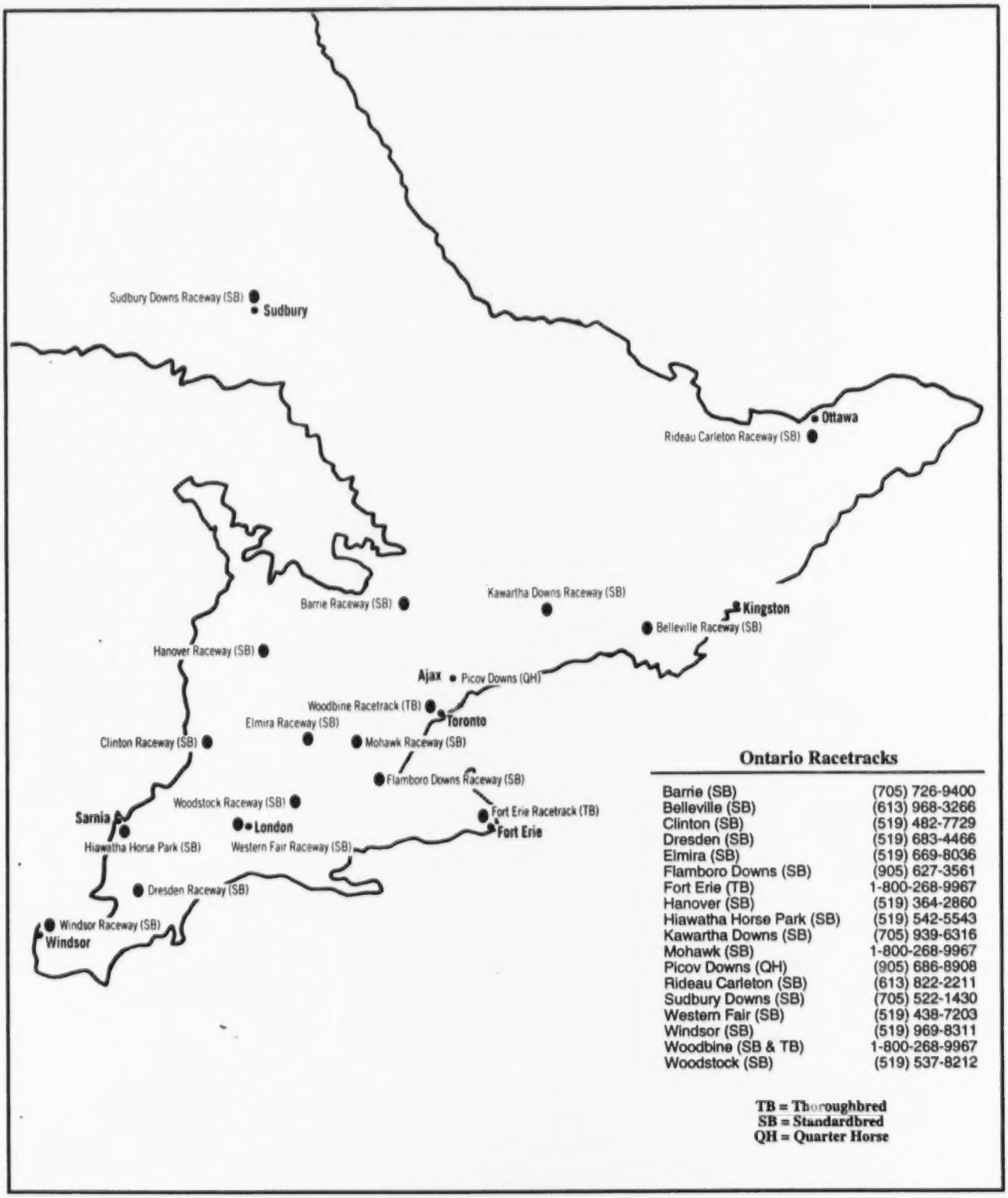
(6) Where the rules of the Commission, promulgated or adopted, provide for an appeal to an association or body, any person who considers themselves aggrieved shall appeal in accordance with the rules before applying to the Commission for a hearing under subsection (4).

(7) Any order or rule issued or made by the Commission under this Act shall be deemed to be of an administrative and not of a legislative nature.

(8) One member of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the purposes of a hearing under subsection (4).

(9) The Commission may, on its own motion, review any decision made by a racing association or body pursuant to a power delegated under subsection (2) and may, after affording the parties an opportunity to be heard, confirm the decision reviewed or substitute its own decision in lieu thereof. 1980, c. 429 s. 15.

Ontario Racetracks



Ontario Racetracks

Barrie (SB)	(705) 726-9400
Belleville (SB)	(613) 968-3266
Clinton (SB)	(519) 482-7729
Dresden (SB)	(519) 683-4466
Elmira (SB)	(519) 669-8036
Flamboro Downs (SB)	(905) 627-3561
Fort Erie (TB)	1-800-268-9967
Hanover (SB)	(519) 364-2860
Hiawatha Horse Park (SB)	(519) 542-5543
Kawartha Downs (SB)	(705) 939-6316
Mohawk (SB)	1-800-268-9967
Picov Downs (QH)	(905) 686-8908
Rideau Carleton (SB)	(613) 822-2211
Sudbury Downs (SB)	(705) 522-1430
Western Fair (SB)	(519) 438-7203
Windsor (SB)	(519) 969-8311
Woodbine (SB & TB)	1-800-268-9967
Woodstock (SB)	(519) 537-8212

TB = Thoroughbred
SB = Standardbred
QH = Quarter Horse

Ontario Racing Commission

The horses round the turn of the E.P. Taylor Turf Course heading into the stretch. David Landry Photo

Personnel of the Commission

As at December 31, 1997, the Commission consisted of:

Chair
Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.
Vice-Chair
Lynda Tanaka

Members
Patricia Bullock
Diane Carlton
Thomas G. Deacon
Bruce Duncan, D.V.M.
Ernest Nock

Officials of the Commission

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Deputy Director of Finance and Administration
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Supervisor of Thoroughbred Racing
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J. Campbell
P. Cass
A. Caughey
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B. Davies
D. Dew
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L. Geisel
D. Godkin
V. Gould
R. Grubb
T. Guthrie
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P. Harrison
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D. Raymond
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J. McKenna
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D. Platts
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A. Wilson
R. Zirnis

Commission Activity

Meetings and Hearings

The seven-member Commission meets on a regular basis to establish policy, to deal with administrative matters and to act as a quasi-judicial tribunal.

Commission Meetings

The Commission held ten formal meetings during 1997 at which regular business was attended to.

Hearings

In addition to formal meetings, the Commission sat for sixty-five days at which licensees appeared for hearings or appeals.

Thoroughbred
The Commission held thirty-six Thoroughbred hearings; 32 were appeals of rulings pertaining to the Rules of Thoroughbred Racing and four were hearings related to licensing and other issues. Of the appeals, 23 were dismissed, one was dismissed with a varied penalty, six were allowed, one was allowed with conditions and one was partially allowed.

Standardbred
The Commission held fifteen Standardbred hearings; ten were appeals of rulings pertaining to the Rules of Standardbred Racing and five were hearings related to licensing and other issues. Of the appeals, three were dismissed, three were dismissed with a varied penalty, three were allowed and one was altered.

General
In addition to the above, the Commission sat for nineteen days of public hearings. The Commission heard 17 teletheatre applications, all of which were approved, eight racedate related applications and 4 other matters.

Racing Industry Appeal Board

This appeal tribunal is appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendations from the Canadian Trotting Association and the Ontario Harness Horse Association.

This board hears Standardbred appeals relative to fines of less than $500.00 and/or suspensions of less than 30 days. The Board sat for four days at which twenty-one licensees appeared to have their appeals dealt with. Five appeals were allowed and 15 appeals were disallowed.

Memberships

Association of Racing Commissioners, International
The Commission continues to hold active membership in the Association of Racing Commissioners International. This organization is comprised of representatives from all racing commissions throughout North America, Mexico and the Caribbean. The organization acts as a clearing house for changes in racing rules and statistical information. The Chair is a member of the Executive Board. Deputy Director of Racing, Terry Stone, serves on both the Thoroughbred and Standardbred Rules Committee.

Racetracks Security Canada
Acting to facilitate the transfer of information between organizations on security matters and the investigation process, this organization is made up of racetrack security personnel as well as Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency and Commission representatives.

American Association of Equine Practitioners
This association is a professional society of more than 4,500 members from the United States, Canada and over 40 other countries. Since its founding in 1944, one of the primary roles of the AAEP has been to act in an advisory capacity to the racing industry on matters affecting the health of the horse.

Rulings

Thoroughbred
During 1997, the Commission issued 39 Commission Thoroughbred rulings. The Stewards issued 504 rulings for various infractions against licensed personnel including owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders.

Standardbred
During 1997, the Commission issued 293 Commission Standardbred rulings. The Judges issued 1068 rulings for various infractions against licensed personnel including owners, trainers, drivers and grooms.

Summary of Licences Issued

The Ontario Racing Commission licenses any person practicing a profession, trade or occupation or at any licensed Ontario racetrack.

Thoroughbred

Total number of licences issued includes reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licences 1997	No. of Licences 1996
Owner, New Owner and Owner Renewal	2,059	1,842
Trainer and Trainer Assistant	294	244
Owner/Trainer, New and Renewals	263	247
Jockey	107	85
Jockey Apprentice, Valets, and Jockey Agent	63	69
Tradesmen	153	158
Veterinarian	38	32
Occupational (Other)	1,716	1,845
Pari-Mutuel (started licensing under SB in May 1997)	336	576
Total Licences Issued	**5,029**	**5,098**

Standardbred

Total number of licences issued includes reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licences 1997	No. of Licences 1996
Owner, New and Renewal	7,136	7,222
Stable/Multiple Ownership	535	518
Trainer	2,947	2,973
Driver	1,423	1,453
Groom	3,617	3,783
Tradesmen	86	83
Veterinarian	57	63
Occupational	265	166
Association	212	190
Commission Officials	71	59
Pari-Mutuel	349	816
Total Licences Issued	**16,698**	**17,326**

Wagering Statistics

Expected to generate over $75 million in wagering annually, the new Greenwood Teletheatre opened in 1997 on the former Greenwood Racetrack site. David Landry Photo

Recap of Horse Racing in Ontario and Canada in 1997

Including revenue to the Provincial and Federal Government

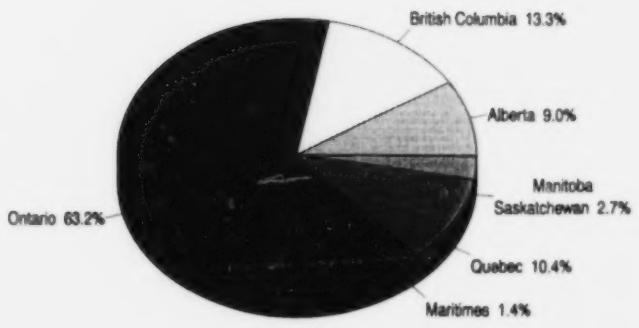
	No. of Days	Wagering	Provincial Tax	Federal Tax	%
Ontario					
Totals based on breed of race					
Standardbred*	1,134	489,346,651.74	2,446,733.26	3,912,610.37	46.92%
Thoroughbred	278	553,407,902.83	2,767,039.51	4,424,817.24	53.07%
Quarter Horse	20	98,321.00	491.61	786.13	0.01%
Total Ontario	**1,432**	**1,042,852,875.57**	**5,214,264.38**	**8,338,213.74**	**100.00%**

* includes 27 days of Unsupervised Racing

Provincial Detail

Statistics provided by Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency					
Ontario	1,440	1,042,874,051.52	5,700,488.14	8,338,213.74	63.23%
British Columbia	277	219,749,996.00	14,813,877.00	1,757,605.49	13.32%
Quebec	457	170,638,010.00	12,413,545.49	1,362,313.14	10.35%
Alberta	338	147,755,765.00	7,029,184.54	1,181,525.73	8.96%
Manitoba	117	29,613,801.00	2,403,039.89	236,541.35	1.80%
Nova Scotia	103	9,367,433.00	994,764.49	74,846.34	0.57%
New Brunswick	69	6,829,857.00	686,917.07	54,556.75	0.41%
Prince Edward Island	91	5,933,381.00	785,161.04	47,397.29	0.36%
Saskatchewan	100	15,663,103.00	1337,195.19	124,924.04	0.95%
Newfoundland	15	859,182.00	76,776.51	6,862.79	0.05%
Total	**3,007**	**1,649,284,579.52**	**46,240,949.36**	**13,184,786.66**	**100.00%**

Ontario's Share of the Canadian Wagering Dollar



Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Gross Prov Tax	Net Prov Tax*	Fed Tax	Tax Dollars Produced Provincial	Federal	Purse Distribution
Progress in Thoroughbred Racing								
1986	282	365,528,513	†7	5	0.8	26,850,776	2,924,389	31,879,981
1987	278	413,565,078	†7	5	0.8	30,347,090	3,308,521	35,287,923
1988	287	452,114,414	†7	5	0.8	33,155,471	3,616,915	43,613,731
1989	288	495,407,190	†7	5	0.8	36,239,126	3,963,258	45,393,965
1990	292	535,324,696	†7	5	0.8	39,161,047	4,282,598	45,267,891
1991	293	523,630,971	†7	5	0.8	38,291,814	4,189,047	47,905,579
1992	293	521,513,857	†7	5	0.8	38,177,239	4,172,111	51,692,667
1993	294	567,019,864	†7	5	0.8	42,216,151	4,536,159	47,176,882
1994	279	578,367,530	†7	5	0.8	43,488,071	4,671,571	39,484,249
1995	291	638,490,418	†7	5	0.8	47,421,004	5,077,793	47,848,765
1996	295	569,659,968	†7 to 0.5	5 to 0.5	0.8	44,831,638	5,282,436	47,496,127
1997	**278**	**553,407,902**	**0.5**	**0.5**	**0.8**	**2,767,039**	**4,424,817**	**42,325,856**
Progress in Quarter Horse Racing								
1986	12	139,651	†7	5	0.8	9,776	1,115	128,546
1987	13	118,110	†7	5	0.8	8,268	945	143,933
1988	16	141,124	†7	5	0.8	9,879	1,129	149,548
1989	20	244,565	†7	5	0.8	17,119	1,957	184,220
1990	21	334,927	†7	5	0.8	23,445	2,679	247,264
1991	21	258,061	†7	5	0.8	18,064	2,064	228,182
1992	18	186,106	†7	5	0.8	13,027	1,488	126,997
1993	17	139,387	†7	5	0.8	9,757	1,115	97,775
1994	19	151,149	†7	5	0.8	10,652	1,209	73,734
1995	20	128,836	†7	5	0.8	9,113	1,030	204,895
1996	21	110,278	†7 to 0.5	5 to 0.5	0.8	7,352	882	209,072
1997	**20**	**98,321**	**0.5**	**0.5**	**0.8**	**491**	**786**	**164,832**
Progress in Standardbred Racing								
1986	1625	524,243,023	†7	5	0.8	39,260,613	4,193,437	53,690,705
1987	1551	560,118,892	†7	5	0.8	42,070,986	4,480,951	58,234,266
1988	1643	607,601,166	†7	5	0.8	45,475,891	4,860,809	65,135,136
1989	1628	627,249,647	†7	5	0.8	46,854,374	5,010,190	68,430,917
1990	1585	616,089,970	†7	5	0.8	46,101,128	4,928,719	68,804,411
1991	1498	560,950,032	†7	5	0.8	42,076,205	4,487,600	60,714,864
1992	1486	548,569,954	†7	5	0.8	41,403,406	4,388,559	65,425,855
1993	1333	463,929,955	†7	5	0.8	34,541,451	3,711,440	61,693,065
1994	1298	488,252,954	†7	5	0.8	36,922,508	3,963,716	63,951,896
1995	1,208	540,542,758	†7	5	0.8	45,220,663	4,698,798	78,325,497
1996	1,215	501,662,083	†7 to .5	5 to 0.5	0.8	41,910,793	5,343,692	78,676,848
1997	**1,134**	**489,346,651**	**0.5**	**0.5**	**0.8**	**2,446,733**	**3,912,610**	**77,707,000**

† 9% tax on triactor wagering
*Not including Improvement Program funding

1996: The Race Tracks Tax was reduced from 7% (9% on triactors) to 0.5% effective September 30, 1996.

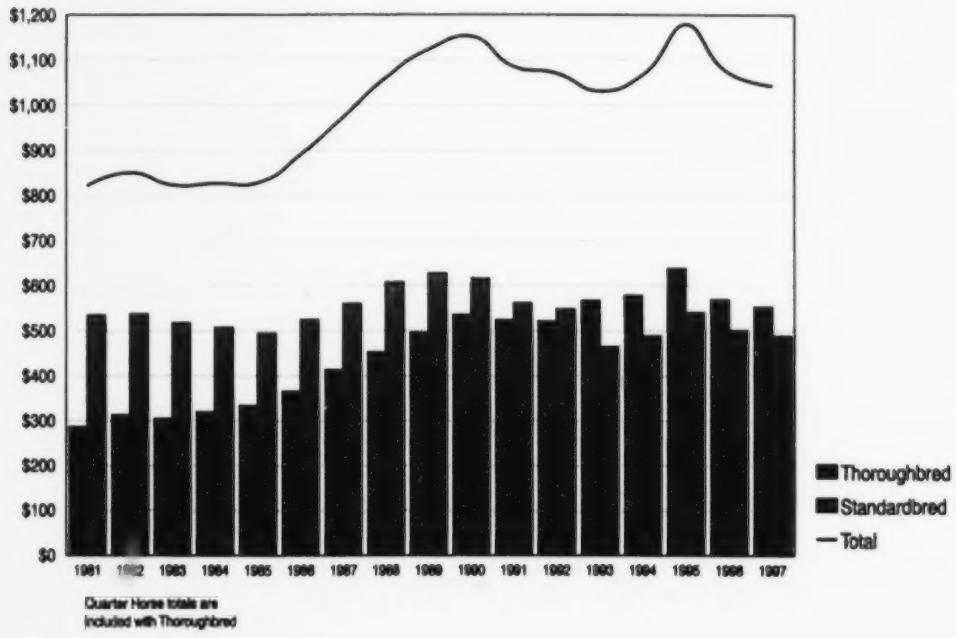
Note: Wagering statistics only include betting transactions in the Province of Ontario. Betting transactions made in other jursidictions on Ontario product are not included in these figures.

Wagering Trends in Ontario

Based on wagering conducted within the province and by breed

	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered
1981	1,621	534,950,803	237	286,498,285	7	159,977	1,865	821,609,065
1982	1,657	537,622,939	238	312,886,211	7	118,298	1,902	850,627,448
1983	1,672	517,786,938	241	304,864,472	7	103,196	1,920	822,754,606
1984	1,633	507,096,175	245	319,343,712	7	82,426	1,885	826,522,313
1985	1,549	494,314,388	264	333,683,591	7	84,692	1,820	828,082,671
1986	1,625	524,243,023	282	365,528,513	12	139,651	1,919	889,911,187
1987	1,551	560,118,892	278	413,565,078	13	118,110	1,842	973,802,080
1988	1,643	607,601,166	287	452,114,414	16	141,124	1,946	1,059,856,704
1989	1,628	627,249,647	288	495,407,190	20	244,565	1,936	1,122,901,402
1990	1,585	616,089,970	292	535,324,696	21	334,927	1,898	1,151,749,593
1991	1,498	560,950,032	293	523,630,971	21	258,061	1,812	1,084,839,064
1992	1,486	548,569,954	293	521,513,857	18	186,106	1,797	1,070,269,917
1993	1,333	463,929,955	294	567,019,864	17	139,387	1,644	1,031,089,206
1994	1,298	488,252,954	279	578,367,530	19	151,149	1,596	1,066,771,633
1995	1,208	540,542,758	291	638,490,418	20	128,836	1,519	1,179,162,012
1996	1,215	501,662,083	295	569,659,968	21	110,278	1,531	1,071,432,329
1997	**1,134**	**489,346,651**	**278**	**553,407,902**	**20**	**98,321**	**1,432**	**1,042,852,875**

Note:
These figures include all wagering conducted in Ontario on both local and foreign product. These numbers do not include any amounts for wagers placed on Ontario product in other jurisdictions (ie. New Jersey wagering on Woodbine Thoroughbred).



Wagering Statistics

Comparison of 1996 and 1997

	No. of Days			Actual on Site (bet at Ontario tracks)		
Tracks	1997	1996	%+-	1997	1996	%+-
Thoroughbred						
Woodbine	178	194	-8.2%	380,465,698.95	399,673,166.55	-4.8%
Fort Erie	100	101	-1.0%	46,365,083.75	61,187,319.07	-24.2%
Total Thoroughbred	**278**	**295**	**-5.8%**	**426,830,782.70**	**460,860,485.62**	**-7.4%**
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)						
Total Quarter Horse	**20**	**21**	**-4.8%**	**333,576.00**	**350,115.00**	**-4.7%**
Standardbred						
Woodbine	150	141	6.4%	245,531,286.88	191,405,264.50	28.3%
Mohawk	110	118	-6.8%	87,402,376.00	100,195,907.00	-12.8%
OJC	**260**	**259**	**0.4%**	**332,933,662.88**	**291,601,171.50**	**14.2%**
Windsor	149	178	-16.3%	54,471,383.44	73,161,629.34	-25.5%
Flamboro Downs	212	250	-15.2%	63,804,362.00	79,778,423.00	-20.0%
Rideau Carleton	77	69	11.6%	31,161,307.00	36,814,818.00	-15.4%
Western Fair	89	95	-6.3%	28,446,412.68	27,928,600.57	1.9%
Hiawatha	48	47	2.1%	9,587,466.22	10,501,127.46	-8.7%
Barrie	54	50	8.0%	14,730,655.40	15,356,958.00	-4.1%
Kawartha Downs	31	47	-34.0%	9,037,067.28	10,255,307.00	-11.9%
Elmira	50	50	0.0%	33,250,727.00	28,440,279.54	16.9%
Sudbury Downs	50	50	0.0%	19,747,933.00	17,316,573.00	14.0%
Dresden	14	20	-30.0%	4,632,270.97	4,116,268.00	12.5%
Woodstock	15	15	0.0%	4,395,529.00	3,640,535.79	20.7%
Belleville	25	27	-7.4%	2,650,892.00	3,547,240.00	-25.3%
Hanover	21	21	0.0%	3,996,588.00	4,601,900.46	-13.2%
Clinton	12	12	0.0%	2,506,667.00	2,859,344.30	-12.3%
Total Supervised	**1,107**	**1,190**	**-7.1%**	**615,352,923.87**	**609,920,175.96**	**0.9%**
Unsupervised	**27**	**25**	**8.0%**	**335,593.00**	**301,553.00**	**11.3%**
Total Standardbred	**1,134**	**1,215**	**-6.7%**	**615,688,516.87**	**610,221,728.96**	**0.9%**
Grand Total	**1,432**	**1,531**	**-6.5%**	**1,042,852,875.57**	**1,071,432,329.58**	**-2.7%**

Notes

All numbers are based on wagering data provided to the Canadian Trotting Association by the Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency

Definition: Actual On-Site

1. Money bet by an Ontario bettor at an Ontario track or outlet.
2. Dollars bet at a site are attributed to that racetrack regardless of breed.

1996

Barrie Raceway dropped its winter dates.

Rideau Carleton cancelled race dates in the spring and fall, moving to a more compressed season from May to mid-September.

Michigan State passed legislation allowing simulcast wagering which in turn affected Windsor Raceway. Windsor set up its own pools on foreign simulcasting.

1997

Kawartha Downs experienced a contract dispute during the first two months of their racing schedule.

Dresden Raceway was purchased by Winrac Development Inc., a wholy owned subsiduary of Windsor Raceway Inc.

Fort Erie Race Track was sold by The Ontario Jockey Club to Nordic Gaming Corporation.

Attendance

Most Ontario racetracks are no longer charging admission and are no longer tracking attendance on a consistent basis. As a result this data is no longer available.

Breakdown of wagering by source of bet and by breed

Tracks	Live	% of total	Simulcasting on track	% of total	Off Track	% of total	Tele. Acc. Betting	% of total	Total Wagering	Thoroughbred	Standardbred
Thoroughbred											
Woodbine	88,674,769.04	23.3%	45,103,239.47	11.9%	241,711,457.44	63.5%	4,976,233.00	1.3%	380,465,698.95	380,465,698.95	
Fort Erie	18,338,554.57	39.6%	12,353,427.18	26.6%	15,673,102.00	33.8%			46,365,083.75	45,659,600.51	705,483.24
Total TB	**107,013,323.61**	**25.1%**	**57,456,666.65**	**13.5%**	**257,384,559.44**	**60.3%**	**4,976,233.00**	**1.2%**	**426,830,782.70**	**426,125,299.46**	**705,483.24**
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)											
Total QH	**98,321.00**	**29.5%**	**235,255.00**	**70.5%**					**333,576.00**	**333,576.00**	
Standardbred											
Woodbine	41,040,916.00	16.7%	76,534,788.00	31.2%	124,650,263.88	50.8%	3,305,319.00	0.5%	245,531,286.88	40,377,272.00	205,154,014.88
Mohawk	16,269,203.00	18.6%	3,089,630.00	3.5%	68,046,543.00	77.9%			87,402,376.00		87,402,376.00
OJC	**57,310,119.00**	**17.2%**	**79,621,418.00**	**23.9%**	**192,696,806.88**	**57.9%**	**3,305,319.00**	**0.5%**	**332,933,662.88**	**40,377,272.00**	**292,556,390.88**
Windsor	22,494,183.60	41.3%	29,910,045.42	54.9%	2,067,154.42	3.8%			54,471,383.44	14,743,620.29	39,727,763.15
Flamboro Downs	8,897,686.00	13.9%	6,940,852.00	10.9%	47,965,824.00	75.2%			63,804,362.00	23,570,492.00	40,233,870.00
Rideau Carleton	2,917,342.00	9.4%	9,490,848.00	30.5%	18,753,117.00	60.2%			31,161,307.00	7,967,641.00	23,193,666.00
Western Fair	3915100.00	13.8%	22,675,610.68	79.7%	1,855,702.00	6.5%			28,446,412.68	7,465,488.00	20,980,924.68
Hiawatha	2,095,941.64	21.9%	7,142,819.73	74.5%	348,704.85	3.6%			9,587,466.22	2,314,519.88	7,272,946.34
Barrie	2,571,967.00	17.5%	6,902,660.00	46.9%	5,256,028.40	35.7%			14,730,655.40	4,843,046.00	9,887,609.40
Kawartha Downs	933,838.00	10.3%	392,648.00	4.3%	7,710,581.28	85.3%			9,037,067.28	3,371,351.56	5,665,715.72
Elmira	1,532,916.00	4.6%	8,059,817.00	242%	23,657,994.00	71.2%			33,250,727.00	12,195,455.00	21,055,272.00
Sudbury Downs	364,690.00	1.8%	171,226.00	0.9%	19,212,017.00	97.3%			19,747,933.00	7,548,068.00	12,199,865.00
Dresden	560,840.00	12.1%	791,914.00	17.1%	3,279,516.97	70.8%			4,632,270.97	377,656.64	4,254,614.33
Woodstock	438,660.00	10.0%	263,282.00	6.0%	3,693,587.00	84.0%			4,395,529.00	548,848.00	3,846,681.00
Belleville	370,366.00	14.0%	591,188.00	22.3%	1,689,338.00	63.7%			2,650,892.00	747,637.00	1,903,255.00
Hanover	617,995.00	15.5%	303,072.00	7.6%	3,075,521.00	77.0%			3,996,588.00	625,679.00	3,370,909.00
Clinton	432,541.00	17.3%	69,201.00	2.8%	2,004,925.00	80.0%			2,506,667.00	350,574.00	2,156,093.00
Total Supervised	**105,454,185.24**	**17.1%**	**173,326,601.83**	**28.2%**	**333,266,817.80**	**54.2%**	**3,305,319.00**	**0.5%**	**615,352,923.87**	**127,047,348.37**	**488,305,575.50**
Unsupervised	335,593.00	100%							335,593.00		335,593.00
Total SB	**105,789,778.24**	**17.2%**	**173,326,601.83**	**28.2%**	**333,266,817.80**	**54.2%**	**3,305,319.00**	**0.5%**	**615,688,516.87**	**127,047,348.37**	**488,641,168.50**
Grand Total	**212,901,422.85**	**20.4%**	**231,018,523.48**	**22.2%**	**590,651,377.24**	**56.6%**	**8,281,552.00**	**0.8%**	**1,042,852,875.57**	**553,506,223.83**	**489,346,651.74**

Breakdown of wagering by Ontario product and Foreign product

Ontario						Foreign					
Thoroughbred	% of TB total	Standardbred	% of SB total	Total Ontario	% of total	Thoroughbred	% of TB total	Standardbred	% of SB total	Total Foreign	% of TB total
190,465,952.00	50.1%			190,465,952.00	50.1%	189,999,746.95	49.9%			189,999,746.95	49.9%
42,533,741.69	93.2%	679,439.07	96.3%	43,213,180.76	93.2%	3,125,858.82	6.8%	26,044.17	3.7%	3,151,902.99	6.8%
232,999,693.69	**54.7%**	**679,439.07**	**96.3%**	**233,679,132.76**	**54.7%**	**193,125,605.77**	**45.3%**		**3.7%**	**193,151,649.94**	**45.3%**
333,576.00	**100.0%**			**333,576.00**	**100.0%**						
		159,981,644.76	78.0%	159,981,644.76	65.2%	40,377,272.00	100.0%	45,172,370.12	22.0%	85,549,642.12	34.8%
		64,756,498.00	74.1%	64,756,498.00	74.1%			22,645,878.00	25.9%	22,645,878.00	25.9%
		224,738,142.76	**76.8%**	**224,738,142.76**	**67.5%**	**40,377,272.00**	**100.0%**	**67,818,248.12**	**23.2%**	**108,195,520.12**	**32.5%**
3,698,855.75	25.1%	33,524,585.38	84.4%	37,223,441.13	68.3%	11,044,764.54	74.9%	6,203,177.77	15.6%	17,247,942.31	31.7%
14,634,382.00	62.1%	33,233,648.00	82.6%	47,868,030.00	75.0%	8,936,110.00	37.9%	7,000,222.00	17.4%	15,936,332.00	25.0%
2,993,340.00	37.6%	16,941,368.00	73.0%	19,934,708.00	64.0%	4,974,301.00	62.4%	6,252,298.00	27.0%	11,226,599.00	36.0%
2,422,990.78	32.5%	17,807,703.00	84.9%	20,230,693.78	71.1%	5,042,497.22	67.5%	3,173,221.68	15.1%	8,215,718.90	28.9%
793,367.63	34.3%	6,317,516.95	86.9%	7,110,884.58	74.2%	1,521,152.25	65.7%	955,429.39	13.1%	2,476,581.64	25.8%
2,893,370.40	59.7%	8,832,316.00	89.3%	11,725,686.40	79.6%	1,949,675.60	40.3%	1,055,293.40	10.7%	3,004,969.00	20.4%
1,538,637.04	45.6%	5,032,659.24	88.8%	6,571,296.28	72.7%	1,832,714.52	54.4%	633,056.48	11.2%	2,465,771.00	27.3%
4,696,520.00	38.5%	17,022,554.00	80.8%	2,171,9074.00	65.3%	7,498,935.00	61.5%	4,032,718.00	19.2%	11,531,653.00	34.7%
3,996,826.00	53.0%	8,860,257.00	72.6%	12,857,083.00	65.1%	3,551,242.00	47.0%	3,339,608.00	27.4%	6,890,850.00	34.9%
329,676.64	87.3%	3,668,717.9[illegible]	86.2%	3,998,394.55	86.3%	47,980.00	12.7%	585,896.42	13.8%	633,876.42	13.7%
418,762.00	76.3%	3,411,247.00	88.7%	3,830,009.00	87.1%	130,086.00	23.7%	435,434.00	11.3%	565,520.00	12.9%
593,033.00	79.3%	1,631,904.00	85.7%	2,224,937.00	83.9%	154,604.00	20.7%	271,351.00	14.3%	425,955.00	16.1%
467,237.00	74.7%	2,904,744.00	86.2%	3,371,981.00	84.4%	158,442.00	25.3%	466,165.00	13.8%	624,607.00	15.6%
236,842.00	67.6%	1,852,530.00	85.9%	2,089,372.00	83.4%	113,732.00	32.4%	303,563.00	14.1%	417,295.00	16.6%
39,713,840.24	**31.3%**	**385,779,893.24**	**79.0%**	**425,493,733.48**	**69.1%**	**87,333,508.13**	**68.7%**	**102,525,682.26**	**21.0%**	**189,859,190.39**	**30.9%**
		335,593.00	**100.0%**	**335,593.00**	**100.0%**						
39,713,840.24	**31.3%**	**386,115,486.24**	**79.0%**	**425,829,326.48**	**69.2%**	**87,333,508.13**	**68.7%**	**102,525,682.26**	**21.0%**	**189,859,190.39**	**30.8%**
273,047,109.93	**49.3%**	**386,794,925.31**	**79.0%**	**659,842,035.24**	**63.3%**	**280,459,113.90**	**50.7%**	**102,551,726.43**	**21.0%**	**383,010,840.33**	**36.7%**

Intertrack Wagering

Track	1997	1996		1997	1996		1997	1996	
Thoroughbred									
Woodbine	45,103,239.47	65,716,636.92	-31.4%				45103,239.47	65,716,636.92	-31.4%
Fort Erie	11,647,943.94	15,210,839.93	-23.4%	705,483.24	747,257.00	-5.6%	12353,427.18	15,958,096.93	-22.6%
Total TB	**56,751,183.41**	**80,927,476.85**	**-29.9%**	**705,483.24**	**747,257.00**	**-5.6%**	**57456,666.65**	**81,674,733.85**	**-29.7%**
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)									
Total QH	**235,255.00**	**254,231.00**	**-7.5%**				**235,255.00**	**254,231.00**	**-7.5%**
Standardbred									
Woodbine	40,377,272.00	10,909,273.50	270.1%	36,157,516.00	30,492,243.00	18.6%	76,534,788.00	41,401,516.50	84.9%
Mohawk		263,307.00		3,086,630.00	3,186,295.00	-3.1%	3,086,630.00	3,449,602.00	-10.5%
Windsor	14,743,620.29	23,629,284.34	-37.6%	15,166,425.13	16,952,652.00	-10.5%	29,910,045.42	40,581,936.34	-26.3%
Flamboro	3,116,583.00	2,664,160.00	17.0%	3,824,269.00	3,699,020.00	3.4%	6,940,852.00	6,363,180.00	9.1%
Rideau Carleton	3,107,095.00	3,790,513.00	-18.0%	6,383,753.00	7,200,414.00	-11.3%	9,490,848.00	10,990,927.00	-13.6%
Western Fair	7,395,203.00	6,846,550.00	8.0%	15,280,407.68	15,009,231.00	1.8%	22,675,610.68	21,855,781.00	3.8%
Hiawatha	2,314,519.88	2,191,979.12	5.6%	4,828,299.85	4,768,021.00	1.3%	7,142,819.73	6,960,000.12	2.6%
Barrie	2,569,026.00	2,316,090.00	10.9%	4,333,634.00	3,502,649.00	23.7%	6,902,660.00	5,818,739.00	18.6%
Kawartha	2,698.00	55,791.00	-95.2%	389,950.00	606,744.00	-35.7%	392,648.00	662,535.00	-40.7%
Elmira	3,166,621.00	3,363,870.00	-5.9%	4,893,196.00	4,912,537.00	-0.4%	8,059,817.00	8,276,407.00	-2.6%
Sudbury	34,924.00	116,777.00	-70.1%	136,302.00	58,482.00	133.1%	171,226.00	175,259.00	-2.3%
Dresden	63,000.00			728,914.00	1,072,388.00	-32.0%	791,914.00	1,072,388.00	-26.2%
Woodstock				263,282.00	672,560.00	-60.9%	263,282.00	672,560.00	-60.9%
Belleville	217,082.00	156,443.00	38.8%	374,106.00	357,759.00	4.6%	591,188.00	514,202.00	15.0%
Hanover	34,535.00	14,414.00	139.6%	268,537.00	319,110.00	-15.8%	303,072.00		-9.1%
Clinton	69,201.00	78,590.00	-11.9%		9,140.00	-100.0%	69,201.00	87,730.00	-21.1%
Total	**77,211,380.17**	**56,397,041.96**	**36.9%**	**96,115,221.66**	**92,819,245.00**	**3.6%**	**173,326,601.83**	**149,126,286.96**	**16.2%**
Grand Total	**134,197,818.58**	**137,578,749.81**	**-2.5%**	**96,820,704.90**	**93,566,502.00**	**3.5%**	**231,018,523.48**	**231,145,251.81**	**-0.1%**

Teletheatres

	Thoroughbred			Standardbred			Total		
Racetrack	1997	1996	% +/-	1997	1996	% +/-	1997	1996	% +/-
Barrie	874,667	1,045,386	-16.3%	1,615,183	1,335,792	20.9%	2,489,850	2,381,178	4.6%
Belleville	530,555	882,005	-39.8%	1,158,783	1,746,567	-33.7%	1,689,338	2,628,572	-35.7%
Flamboro Downs	20,453,909	25,586,972	-20.1%	27,511,915	37,729,104	-27.1%	47,965,824	63,316,076	-24.2%
Kawartha Downs	3,037,893	2,361,513	28.6%	3,965,883	5,489,919	-27.8%	7,003,776	7,851,432	-12.0%
The Ontario Jockey Club	245,435,041	246,112,210	-0.3%	180,283,459	176,288,000	2.3%	425,718,500	422,400,210	0.8%
OJC/Picov Hub	13,658,421	13,345,244	2.3%	13,737,055	13,890,306	-1.1%	27,395,476	27,235,550	0.6%
Ontario Teletheatre Network	10,828,563	9,731,710	11.3%	25,767,641	22,655,278	13.7%	36,596,204	32,986,988	13.0%
Western Fair	14,797	36,206	-59.1%	1,391,324	2,080,931	-33.1%	1,406,121	2,117,137	-33.6%
Hiawartha		9,827		270,456	707,723	-61.8%	270,456	717,550	-62.3%
Windsor	12,991			2,137,705	71,862		2,150,696	71,862	
Rideau Carleton	4,860,546	6,236,239	-22.1%	13,892,571	15,740,585	-11.7%	18,753,117	21,976,824	-14.7%
Sudbury	7,513,144	5,688,405	32.1%	11,698,873	11,089,463	5.5%	19,212,017	16,777,868	14.5%
Total	**307,220,527**	**311,035,717**	**-1.2%**	**283,430,849**	**288,825,530**	**-1.9%**	**590,651,377**	**599,861,247**	**-1.6%**

** Adjustments for shared markets not included in these figures

Racing Statistics

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh attended the 138th running of the Queen's Plate which was won by Awesome Again. David Landry Photo

Commission Activity – Thoroughbred

The Stewards issued 504 rulings against licensed personnel for various infractions involving owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders in 1997.

Inquiries by the Stewards

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1973	39	24	15
1974	51	21	30
1975	41	15	26
1976	45	18	27
1977	26	5	21
1978	28	14	14
1979	59	29	30
1980	65	26	39
1981	92	48	44
1982	81	49	32
1983	109	67	42
1984	76	54	22
1985	63	51	12
1986	70	43	27
1987	62	42	20
1988	68	57	11
1989	79	64	15
1990	66	53	13
1991	78	66	12
1992	84	69	15
1993	71	52	19
1994	67	58	9
1995	49	31	18
1996	56	47	9
1997	**55**	**43**	**12**

Claims of Foul

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1973	78	28	50
1974	83	26	57
1975	86	29	57
1976	61	21	40
1977	93	24	69
1978	91	37	54
1979	97	32	65
1980	111	40	71
1981	131	40	91
1982	87	30	57
1983	93	27	66
1984	90	27	63
1985	90	32	58
1986	92	28	64
1987	89	27	62
1988	118	29	89
1989	117	18	99
1990	140	34	106
1991	131	42	89
1992	133	42	91
1993	144	40	104
1994	116	33	83
1995	103	23	80
1996	79	21	58
1997	**76**	**15**	**61**

Scratches

	1995	1996	1997
By Commission Veterinarians	468	446	428
By Stewards	248	358	354
As part of entries	54	48	64
Out of stakes	52	36	35
Total	**882**	**888**	**881**

Trainers' Examinations

	1995	1996	1997
Number of examinations written	36	67	47
Number of examinations passed	16	40	24
Number of examinations failed	20	27	23

Urine and Blood Tests

	1994	1995	1996	1997
Number ordered by the stewards (inc. extras)	6,390	6,985	7,138	6,682
Number taken	6,520	6,966	7,110	9,996
Number abandoned	19	19	28	13

Claims – Standardbred

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	$Value 1997	Average $ Value 1997
Barrie	84	74	64	35	55	223,625	4,065
Belleville	2	9	14	14	5	16,750	3,350
Clinton	4	8	11	16	4	9,000	2,250
Dresden	23	29	24	12	5	12,500	2,500
Elmira	26	45	32	46	69	276,625	4,009
Flamboro Downs	105	235	131	276	312	1,893,320	6,068
Hanover	9	11	14	14	9	24,750	2,750
Hiawatha	51	24	47	23	33	91,875	2,784
Kawartha Downs	20	16	25	9	5	27,750	5,550
Kingston Park	19	2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mohawk	166	257	274	338	268	6,155,750	22,969
Orangeville	18	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Rideau Carleton	74	66	88	130	101	402,000	3,980
Sudbury	13	18	17	36	49	168,625	3,441
Western Fair	83	76	55	94	69	242,500	3,514
Windsor	132	158	363	359	235	1,710,650	7,279
Woodbine (Greenwood)	238	275	409	488	478	10,738,250	22,464
Woodstock	10	5	20	18	17	46,250	2,720
Total	**1,077**	**1,308**	**1,588**	**1,908**	**1,714**	**22,040,220**	**12,858**

Claims and Tattooing – Thoroughbred

Tattooing

Year	Number of Horses Tattooed
1983	1,044
1984	1,056
1985	1,090
1986	1,310
1987	1,300
1988	1,419
1989	1,461
1990	1,327
1991	1,349
1992	1,292
1993	1,162
1994	988
1995	1,013
1996	1,034
1997	**1,011**

Claims

Year	No.	Average Value
1983	689	$10,316
1984	676	$10,257
1985	696	$10,379
1986	861	$9,918
1987	913	$11,234
1988	815	$12,811
1989	1,050	$9,878
1990	639	$12,992
1991	544	$13,320
1992	863	$12,926
1993	821	$12,554
1994	813	$12,271
1995	932	$12,438
1996	934	$11,691
1997	**823**	**$11,925**

Positive Tests

	Standardbred					Thoroughbred				
	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Ambroxol					1					
Atropine					1					
Bumetanide			1							
Bupivacaine							1			
Caffeine		6	1	3	7					
Cathinone			2							
Clenbuterol	3					2				
Clidinium				1						
Cocaine		2	3							
Cotinine			1							
Cromoglycate	7	5	5	1	2					
Cyproheptadine				1						
Detomidine	2									
Diazepam		1								
Diclofenac			1		1					
Dexamethasone	1									
Dimethylsulfoxide		1		2	1					
Ephedrine		8		3	2					2
Ethacrynic Acid		2								
Flunixin	2		1							
Furosemide	6	4	8	12	2	4		1		
Glycopyrrolate					1	1				1
Guaifenesin	2	5			1			1		1
Hydrochlorothiazide		1								
Indomethacin			1							
Ketoprofen		6	1							
Ketorolac				1						
Lidocaine		1								
Meclofenamic Acid		1	1							
Methamphetamine	3									
Methocarbamol	5	1	1	1	2			2		2
Methylphenidate								1		
Morphine		2								
Nimesulide				5	3					
Pentoxifylline				1						
Phenylbutazone	2	5	5	5	2				3	
Phenylpropanolamine	3			1	2	1	1			
Prednisolone	2	1	1	1						
Procaine	5	5	1	6	2	1	3		3	2
Propantheline			22							
Pyrilamine				1						
Salicylic Acid		2	2	3	1				1	
Theobromine			1	1						
Theophylline	3	3		1	1			2		
Tranexamic Acid				1						
Trichlormethiazide		2								
Total Positive Tests	**46**	**64**	**59**	**51**	**32**	**9**	**5**	**7**	**7**	**8**

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